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Dear Attorney Hesse:

I support for the settlement that has been reached with Microsoft Corp. in the nationwide product pricing class actions. Consumers have benefited from Microsoft's innovation, which has resulted in better products and lower prices.

The dramatic commitment that Microsoft has announced to the public schools will go a long way toward addressing this need. Further, it helps put an end to costly and damaging litigation, which already has gone on too long and caused too much harm to an economy that is in recession. The settlement is in everyone's best interests. The technology industry, consumers and the economy will all benefit to an end to this litigation.

I know I speak for many Americans who believe that the perfect end to this long chapter of litigation would be a settlement that invests in educating our children and building our economy.

Sincerely,

Brenda J. Summers, Ed. D.